

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q65093

Yukitaka TAKESHITA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/891,352

Group Art Unit: 2873

Confirmation No.: 2253

Examiner: Ricky Levern Mack

Filed: June 27, 2001

For: 2

ZOOM LENS DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1.(Twice Amended) A zoom lens device comprising an aperture at a predetermined zooming step that is between a telephoto end and a wide-angle end, and a macro shooting button,

wherein the aperture is smaller at the predetermined zooming step than at other zooming steps, and

wherein the predetermined zooming step is used only when a macro shooting mode for obtaining a close-up of a subject is chosen by activating the macro shooting button.

82

5.(Twice Amended) A zoom lens device, comprising: